

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION
JULY 25, 2016
DEMOLITION AND RELOCATION PERMITS
HDP-2016-0451
2201 STAMFORD LANE

PROPOSAL

Demolish a ca. 1940 house.

ARCHITECTURE

One-story, irregular-plan, side-gabled frame house with a stone wainscot; single and paired 6:6 fenestration; partially-recessed front entry; exterior boxed chimney; partial-width independent porch to the north side of the main house. The house was converted to a duplex in 1963 and converted back to single family use in 1989. The house also has a two-story non-historic garage apartment to the north.

RESEARCH

The house was built in 1940 for Charles Kelty, an optician, and his new bride. Charles Kelty had the Ray Optical Service (with partner Samuel D. Doney) in the 100 block of E. 6th Street. Charles and Norma Kelty lived in this house until around 1946. Robert and Katherine Hoppe, and then Robert's parents, Hugo and Martha Hoppe, owned and occupied the house in the late 1940s. The Hoppe family was from the Smithville-LaGrange area, and operated a restaurant here in Austin. Hoppe's restaurant was at 2116 Guadalupe Street, and later opened a second location at 415 Barton Springs Road.

From around 1950 until around 1957, the house was owned and occupied by Will Wilson, Jr. and his wife, Marjorie. Will Wilson, Jr. grew up in Dallas, graduated from the University of Oklahoma, and then Southern Methodist University Law School. He practiced law in Dallas, then went to work as an assistant state attorney general. He served in World War II, then came back to Dallas, where he was the District Attorney of Dallas County until 1950. He was then appointed to the Texas Supreme Court, and served as associate justice until 1956, all the time living in this house. He was the Attorney General of Texas from 1957 to 1962, then helped found a law firm in Austin. He was an assistant U.S. Attorney General from 1969 to 1971, and was in charge of the Criminal Division of the U.S. Department of Justice. According to his 2005 obituary, Will Wilson was known for "running the gangsters out of Dallas, [and] the gamblers out of Galveston, . . ." He also tried the Tidelands Case, which established Texas' ownership of the submerged land in the Gulf of Mexico between low tide and just over 10 miles from shore against incursions by the federal government.

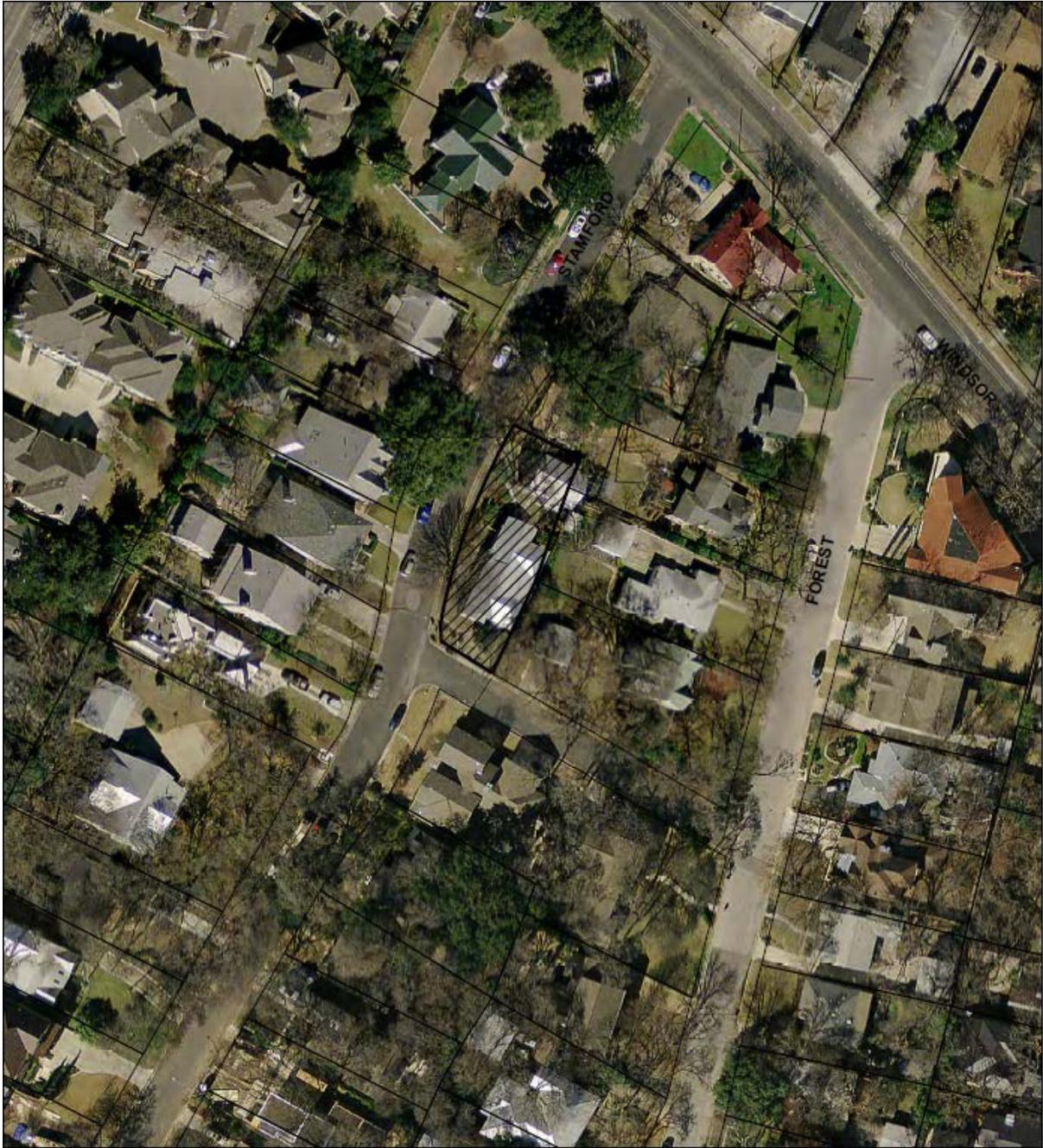
STAFF COMMENTS

The house is beyond the bounds of any City survey.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Encourage rehabilitation and adaptive re-use, but release the permit upon completion of a City of Austin Documentation Package, consisting of photographs of all elevations, a dimensioned sketch plan, and a narrative history, for archiving at the Austin History Center. The house has significance for its associations with Hon. Will R. Wilson, Jr., who lived here in the 1950s while he served on the Texas Supreme Court, but does not have the requisite architectural significance to warrant individual designation as a historic landmark.

LOCATION MAP



-  SUBJECT TRACT
-  PENDING CASE
-  ZONING BOUNDARY

NOTIFICATIONS

CASE#: HDP-2016-0451
LOCATION: 2201 Stamford Lane



1" = 83'

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2201 Stamford Lane
ca. 1940



- 1955 Will R., Jr. and Marjorie Wilson, owners
Associate justice, State Supreme Court
- 1952 Will R., Jr. and Marjorie Wilson, owners
Associate justice, State Supreme Court
- 1949 Hugo R. and Martha Hoppe, owners
Proprietor (with Robert F. Hoppe), Hoppe's, restaurant, 415 Barton Springs Road
and 2116 Guadalupe Street.
- 1947 Robert F. and Katherine Hoppe, owners
Proprietor, Hoppe's, restaurant, 2116 Guadalupe Street.
NOTE: Hugo R. and Martha Hoppe are not listed in the directory.
- 1944-45 Charles O. and Norma Kelty, owners
Inspector
NOTE: Robert F. and Katherine Hoppe are not listed in the directory.
- 1941 Charles O. and Norma Kelty, renters
Charles: Proprietor (with Samuel D. Doney), Ray Optical Service, glasses
on credit, prescription and manufacturing opticians, 107 E. 6th
Street.
Norma: Private secretary, State Department of Banking
- 1940 The address is not listed in the directory.
NOTE: Charles O. Kelty is listed at 604 Ruiz Street; he was not married. He
was the proprietor (with Samuel D. Doney), of Ray Optical Service, glasses on
credit, prescription and manufacturing opticians, 107 E. 6th Street.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Charles O. and Norma Kelty (ca. 1940 – 1946)

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Charles O. and Ida Mary Kelty as the renters of an apartment at 1200 Guadalupe Street. Charles O. Kelty was 33, had been born in Indiana, and was an optometrist. He had lived in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1935. Ida Mary Kelty was 29, had been born in New York, and was a secretary in the Banking Department.

Charles Kelty died March 10, 1963 in San Antonio, where he had lived in the suburb of Castle Hills for the 17 years prior to his death. He was born in 1908 in Indiana, and was an optician.

Robert F. and Katherine Hoppe (ca. 1946 – ca. 1948)

Hugo R. and Martha P. Hoppe (ca. 1948 – ca. 1950)

Robert F. Hoppe was the son of Hugo R. and Martha P. Hoppe. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Hugo R. and Martha P. Hoppe living in a house they owned in Smithville, Texas. Hugo R. Hoppe was 39, had been born in Texas, and was a lumber merchant. Martha P. Hoppe was 49, had been born in Texas to Moravian-born parents, and had no occupation listed. Their son, Robert F. Hoppe, was 15, and had been born in Texas.

The 1940 U.S. Census shows Robert F. Hoppe as living in the Brown & Root Company Dam Construction Barracks in Travis County. He was 25, had been born in Texas and had lived in rural Colorado County, Texas in 1935. He was a cost accountant in dam construction.

Robert F. Hoppe died December 31, 1973 and is buried in LaGrange, Texas.

H. R. HOPPE

H. R. Hoppe, 66, a resident of Austin 13 years, died in a local hospital Thursday. He is survived by his wife; one son, R. F. Hoppe, Austin; and one sister, Mrs. Laura Louwein, Comfort.

The body will be at Weed-Corley Funeral Home until 10:30 a.m. Saturday when it will be taken to LaGrange for funeral services at 2 p.m. Burial will be in LaGrange Cemetery.

Obituary of Hugo R. Hoppe
Austin American, November 30, 1956

H. R. HOPPE

Graveside services for H. R. Hoppe, 66, will be held at LaGrange Cemetery at 2 p.m. Saturday. The funeral cortege will leave Weed-Corley Funeral Home at 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

Funeral notice for Hugo R. Hoppe
Austin American, December 1, 1956

Will R., Jr. and Marjorie Wilson (ca. 1950 – ca. 1957)

Will R. Wilson, Jr. appears in the 1940 U.S. Census as the 27-year old son of Will R. and Kate B. Wilson of Highland Park, Dallas. Will R. Wilson, Jr. had been born in Texas and was a lawyer. His father, Will R. Wilson, Sr., was a retail sporting goods merchant.



Will R. Wilson, Sr.

Will R. Wilson, Sr. was born on July 29, 1912, in Dallas, Texas. His mother was Kate Wilson and father, Will R. Wilson; sister, Kathryn Wilson, and brother, Joe B. Wilson.

He graduated from Highland Park High School, the University of Oklahoma, and was first in his class at SMU Law School, where he has been named Distinguished Graduate.

He was a lawyer at Turner, Rogers, and Wynn, and served as aide to Mayor Woodall Rogers. He served as Assistant Attorney General of Texas. He served as Major, United States Army, in New Guinea and the Philippines, where he was on the staff of Generals Kruger and I.P. Swift, as well as Battalion Commander of the 465th Field Artillery. He accepted the surrender of General Yamashita's staff and was awarded the Bronze Star for heroism in combat by Gen. I. P. Swift.

Will returned to Dallas and was elected as District Attorney of Dallas County, where he served from 1946 to 1950. He was elected to the Texas Supreme Court, where he served as an Associate Justice from 1950 to 1956. He was elected as the Attorney General of Texas, where he served from 1957 thru 1962. He was awarded the Wyman[®] Memorial Award for 1959-1960 as the Outstanding Attorney General in the United States. He co-founded the law firm Wilson, Kendall, Koch, and Randall in Austin, Texas. He served as Assistant Attorney General of the United States from 1969 thru 1971, where he was in charge of the Criminal Division of the United States Department of Justice. He also served as a director of the Brushy Creek WCID and Upper Brushy Creek WCID in Williamson County, Texas for two decades.

He loved ranching on the Brushy Creek Ranch in Williamson County and the Little River Ranch in Milam County, Texas. He was also Chairman of the Cullum and Boren Company and of the Wilson Land and Cattle Company.

He was predeceased by his wife of 36 years, Marjorie Lou Ashcroft Wilson.

He is survived by his sister, Kathryn Smith; his daughter, Lou Ellen Loving and her husband, George Horace Loving; his son, former District Judge Will R. Wilson, Jr. and his wife, Mary Pincoffs Wilson; and five grandchildren, Heather Christian Attridge and her husband Byron Attridge, Jr., Reid Blair Fleming, Will Reid Wilson, III, Thomas Lloyd Wilson, and Robert Edmund Wilson.

He survived one world war, seven contested elections, untold booms and busts, and three fatal diseases. He is the author of one published book and an unpublished work. He was known for running the gangsters out of Dallas, the gamblers out of Galveston, personally trying the Tideland case, together with Governor Price Daniel, J. Chrys Dougherty, and Judge James P. Hart, which has resulted in over \$10 billion dollars being recovered by the Permanent School fund of Texas, as well as attending every single Austin High School football game in which his grandsons played. He was a soldier, lawyer, judge, rancher, magnificent storyteller and beloved dad and granddad. We will all miss him.

A memorial service will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 17th, at Tarrytown United Methodist Church, 2601 Exposition. Burial will follow at 3:00 p.m. at the Texas State Cemetery, 909 Navasota St., Austin.

His family wishes to thank the healing angels at the Summit at Westlake Hills, and his physician, David Pohl, M.D. They further ask that anyone wishing to make a memorial, please make it to the Settlement Home, 1600 Peyton Gin Road, Austin, TX 78758 or to Hospice Austin, 4107 Spicewood Springs Road, Suite 100, Austin, TX 78759.

Obituary of Hon. Will R. Wilson, Jr.
Austin American-Statesman, December 16, 2005

Charles Kelty

2201 Stanford Ln

163

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17

pt of 6

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Westfield 'A'

Rock veneer. PGB & garage integ.

19350 - 4-16-40

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Building permit to Charles Kelty for the construction of this house (1940)

Connection Charge \$ H-2234 N^o 16795A

APPLICATION FOR SEWER CONNECTION!

Austin, Texas, 9-16 1940

To the Superintendent of Sewer and Public Improvements,
City of Austin, Texas

Sir:—

I hereby make application for sewer connection and instructions
on premises owned by C. O. Kelly
at 2201 Stanford 7a Street,
further described as lot Plot 6, block 17, outlot
subdivision Walt. O. R., division _____, plat 163,
which is to be used as a Res

In this place there are to be installed 8 fixtures.

I agree to pay the City Sewer Department the regular ordinance
charge. 1 1/2 DEEP Respectfully
AT - PL Charles O. Kelly

Stub. Out _____

Connected 6-22 1940 Permit PD
6-18-40

Size of Main 6 inches. OV

Size of Service 4 inches.

3 1/2 Feet Deep in st

1 1/2 Feet from Property Line Com 40'

Feet from Curb Line 21 + S.L.L.

Inspected by Bonlight

Connection made by Moran

13733 B1219

Sewer connection application by Charles O. Kelly for this house (1940)

WATER SERVICE PERMIT

No 17442A

C. O. Kelty Austin, Texas

Sec 163

Received of Date Apr. 15, 1940

Address ~~220~~ Stamford Lane

Amount Two and 50/100 - - - - - \$ 2.50

Plumber Burlleson

Date of Connection 4-16-40

Size of Tap Made 1/2"

Size Service Made 3/4"

Size Main Tapped 2"

From Front Prop. Line to Curb Cock 6'

From S. Prop. Line to Curb Cock 74'

Location of Meter R-4717

Type of Box BACK

Depth of Main in St. 2'

Depth of Service Line 2'

From Curb Cock to Tap on Main 22'

Checked by Engr. Dept. 5-28-40 LE

CHANGED TO 6" MAIN AND RENEWED SERVICE WITH 3/4" COPPER ON 16027

No. Fittings	Size	Material
1	Curb Cock	SP
1	Elbow	
1	St. Elbow	3/4" x 1/2"
1	Bushing	3/4" x 1/2"
1	Reducer	3/4" x 1/2"
1	Pipe	3/4" COPPER
1	Lead-Comp	3/4" COPPER
1	Nipples	
1	Union	3/4" x 1/2"
1	Plug	
1	Tee	1/2"
1	Stop	1/2"
1	Box	
1	Lid	
1	Valves	
1	Job No.	10157
1	Req. No.	46072

INDEXED

Water service permit to C.O. Kelty for this address (1940)

OWNER Oslen Hager ADDRESS 2201 Stamford Lane

Westenfield Dev. Co

PLAT 163 LOT BLK. DIV

SUBDIVISION Unplotted

OCCUPANCY Remodel Res and create a duplex

OWNERS

BLD PERMIT # 89601 DATE 10-4-63 ESTIMATE 10,000.00

CONTRACTOR Owner NO. OF FIXTURES 2

WATER TAP REC # SEWER TAP REC #

DUPLEX

Remodel interior of res to create a duplex

Building permit to create a duplex out of the house (1963)

The duplex was converted back to a single family residence in 1989. The detached carport was demolished and a new garage and second floor apartment was constructed in 2005.